

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
EASTERN DIVISION

ORDER

Defendants seek to dismiss the claims of individuals who signed notices of consent to join a Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) collective action. The plaintiff, Mr. Fulton, never moved for certification of an FLSA collective action in violation of the scheduling order. As a result, on August 2, 2017, I dismissed Mr. Fulton’s class action claims. I also ordered parties to state, no later than August 23, 2017, what should happen to the claims of individuals who had sought to “opt-in” to an FLSA collective action. As defendants correctly state in their response, opt-in individuals are not parties to an FLSA action if their FLSA collective action was not certified, conditionally or otherwise.

As a result,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the claims of individuals who signed notices of consent to join this action are **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

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RODNEY W. SIPPEL
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Dated this 29th day of August, 2017.